



PATENT
Docket No. 150.01110101

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Uhlenbrock et al.)	Group Art Unit:	2822
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Serial No.: 10/032,357)	Examiner:	Maria Guerrero
Confirmation No.: 4965)		
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For: METHODS FOR PLANARIZATION OF GROUP VIII METAL- CONTAINING SURFACES USING OXIDIZING GASES)		

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 29, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on the page entitled "Amendments to the Claims."

Remarks begin on the page entitled "Remarks."

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